



"PATENT"

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Family No.: 2003M001)
In re application of) Before the Examiner:
Castle) E. McAvoy
Serial No.: 10/810,044) Group Art Unit: 1764
Filed: March 26, 2004)
METHOD FOR LUBRICATING)
DIAMOND-LIKE CARBON COATED)
SURFACES)

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STATUS INQUIRY

The above-identified application was filed on March 26, 2004. An Official Filing Receipt was mailed on October 14, 2004, an updated Filing Receipt was mailed on February 22, 2005 and a Notice of Publication of Application was mailed on June 2, 2005, but Applicants have not yet received a 1st Office Action.

Respectfully submitted,



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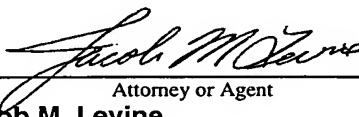
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